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Congratulations extended to Michelle Kohut on being named president of the Women's Bar Association and recognition of

99th Annual Installation Dinner

Committee(s) Assignment:

SALUTE TO MICHELLE KOHUT AND THE WOMEN'S BAR ASSOCIATION

WHEREAS, On June 13, 2013, the Women's Bar Association of Illinois (WBAI) will hold its 99th Annual Installation Dinner at the Hilton Chicago to honor and install Michelle Kohut as their president; and

WHEREAS, The Women's Bar Association of Illinois Annual Installation Dinner is one of the largest yearly celebrations within the Chicago legal community, drawing more than 700 judges, attorneys, corporate supporters, and prominent civic leaders; and

WHEREAS, Michelle Kohut will serve as this year's WBAI president following service as First Vice President of the Women's Bar Association of Illinois. She has also served as President of Women Everywhere - Partners in Service Project, Inc., a community service project that introduces high school girls to challenging careers in the legal profession as well as being on the Board of Directors of Heartland International Health Center that provideds affordable, quality, multilingual, and culturally competent health services; and

WHEREAS, Michelle Kohut is an associate at the prestigious law firm of Corboy & Demetrio since 2004. A graduate of Loyola University Chicago School of Law, she was a Judicial Law Clerk to William D. Maddux, Presiding Judge of the Law Division of the Circuit Court of Cook County, prior to becoming an associate of the firm; and

WHEREAS, In 2007, Michelle Kohut was named in the Law Bulletin's "40 Under Forty". Additionally, she has been named an Illinois "Rising Star" by her peers in "SuperLawyers" magazine, a distinction reserved for the top 2.5% of Illinois lawyers who are under 40 or in practice for 10 years or less; and

WHEREAS, Michelle Kohut practices in all areas of personal injury law, including cases arising from automobile collisions, medical malpractice, construction negligence, premises liability, product liability and railroad negligence; and

WHEREAS, The Women's Bar Association of Illinois is one of the oldest and largest bar associations in the state. First established in 1914 by nine women lawyers practicing in the Chicago Metropolitan area, it was founded to promote the interests and welfare of women lawyers as well as to aid in the enactment of legislation for the common good and in the administration of justice; and

WHEREAS, The Honorable Robert W. Fioretti, Alderman of the 2nd Ward, has apprised this august body of the significant honor being bestowed upon Michelle Kohut by this venerable and praiseworthy association of her peers; now therefore

BE IT RESOLVED That we, the Mayor and members of the City Council gathered together this 5th Day of June, 2013 AD, do hereby salute Michelle Kohut upon the occasion of her installation as president of the Women's Bar Association of Illinois and commend that organization for its many notable contributions to the civic and legal community.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED That a suitable copy of this resolution be prepared and presented to Michelle Kohut.

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